

Update Sunnyvale News From Your City Manager

December 4, 2017

Sunnyvale DPS Hosted a Private Memorial Ceremony to Honor Police Service K9 Jax – On November 21, Sunnyvale DPS welcomed department personnel, City personnel, local law enforcement and fire



agencies to honor Police Service K9 Jax who was tragically killed in the line of duty on October 31. The ceremony was a great opportunity to remember the service that Police Service Dogs and handlers provide the department and the city. The department appreciates the support received from all City departments, City employees, local public safety agencies and Juniper Networks. Palo Alto PD and Mountain View PD assisted by providing police officers that responded to calls for

service while our on-duty officers attended the memorial. Santa Clara PD provided officers to assist in securing the venue. Mountain View FD provided a fire engine to stand by at the venue as a medical resource; while Juniper Networks provided the venue, and assisted Public Safety in planning a successful event. Canine officers and their K9's from all over the region attended to pay their respects. We are truly thankful for an extraordinary show of support during a difficult time. Credit for the photos attached goes to David Thompson (DPS Volunteer). For more information, contact Captain Vinicio Mata at vmata@sunnyvale.ca.gov.



2017 Ride for Toys – On Saturday, November 25, Public Safety held its annual Rides for Toys to benefit Sunnyvale Community Services. The event took place in the Toys R Us parking lot on El Camino Real.



DPS Fire engines were queued and ready to provide rides to children and family members who donated a new unwrapped toy(s). This fun and unique opportunity allows community members to meet their Public Safety Officers and learn about fire prevention while helping less fortunate families this holiday season. The event was a great success with record-breaking participation. More than 1,000 participants donated 467 toys and more than \$400 in cash and gift cards. In addition, about 200 stuffed animals were donated by PetSmart in Sunnyvale. Personnel from Stations 1, 3, and 4, the Crime Prevention Unit, Sunnyvale Explorers Post 417 and

Sunnyvale Community Services all participated to make the event a such a success. The event was coordinated by Lt. Daniel Moskowitz. For more information, contact Captain Shawn Ahearn at 408-730-7158 or sahearn@sunnyvale.ca.gov.

FoodCycle Service Rollout Update #5 – Cart exchanges resumed on November 16. In preparation, Specialty Solid Waste & Recycling worked with its cart delivery vendor to improve how the work was staffed and organized. These changes significantly improved the accuracy and timing of the work and reduced call volumes at City answerpoints. When exchanges paused for Thanksgiving week, Specialty had completed delivery to 30 out of 35 route-days (one collection truck picks up 800+ homes in one route-day). Approximately 25,100 carts have been exchanged, with 4,000 remaining. Deliveries to the final five route-days are scheduled for the week of December 4.

Sunnyvale Resident Use of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Program Increases – Use by Sunnyvale residents of HHW disposal opportunities provided by the Countywide HHW program increased 5 percent in FY 2016/17 compared to the prior fiscal year, according to final figures released by the County. The increase reflects staff outreach to help residents become more familiar with both the nearby permanent HHW facility on Las Plumas Avenue in San Jose and the new frequency (quarterly) and location (Corporation Yard) for Sunnyvale-located events. The quarterly events have been in the new location for three years now, and are managed by Santa Clara County HHW staff and funded by the County AB 939 fee collected on garbage disposed by the City at Kirby Canyon Landfill. Events continue to be run efficiently, with little or no waiting for residents dropping off material. Reservations are required and can be made at hhw.org or by calling 408-299-7300.

Sunnyvale Receives Special Recognition in National Georgetown University Energy Prize Competition In 2015, the City joined 50 communities across the country as semi-finalists in the Georgetown University Energy Prize competition, a two-year nationwide competition to reduce community energy use. Georgetown recently announced the 10 communities advancing to the finalist round of the competition. Sunnyvale did not advance to the finals; however, the City has earned Special Recognition from the competition organizers and "is among several high-performing communities that is setting an example for innovative energy savings efforts." This was accomplished through extensive community

participation, in the form of free energy conservation workshops, a new smartphone app (iGreenSunnyvale) to track sustainable behaviors and their impact. Energy saving measures focused on washing laundry in cold water and proper water heater setting, and promotion of Do-It-Yourself home energy-saving kits available at the Library and Environmental Services offices. This effort was supported by many active community volunteers, all of whom contributed towards an effort that resulted in significant reductions in energy use and greenhouse gas emissions during the competition period. For more information, contact Elaine Marshall, Interim Regulatory Programs Division Manager, at 408-730-7720 or EMarshall@sunnyvale.ca.gov.

Washington Community Swim Center Solar Analysis – The September 12 City Council Meeting included an Information Only Report to Council with a revised conceptual design for the Washington Community Swim Center. The report indicated that a Solar Study for the facility was underway. An independent consultant, Optony Inc., evaluated options for a solar electric photovoltaic (PV) system and/or a solar water heating (SHW) system to identify the solar option with the greatest operational savings for the City.

All three of the proposed buildings were analyzed for PV and SHW. Results indicate that solar PV on the Administration Building has a much shorter payback period than SHW or other configurations of solar systems with a combination of PV and SHW. This is largely due to the seasonal need for pool heating at the facility. The pool equipment/maintenance building has too much shading from adjacent trees to be a suitable option for solar, and the shower/locker room building with limited usable roof area will not provide a good return.

Based on the estimated electricity consumption of the facility, PV on the Administration Building is expected to offset 21 percent of the total facility usage and will take approximately 12.2 years to pay back the cost of engineering, procurement and construction of the system. A new PV solar array will have a design life of 25 years. The City has the option to purchase a PV system or pursue a third-party ownership model with a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) for a lower rate than the savings received on utility bills. Both options will be included in the construction bid for the project to determine the most cost-effective choice.



- Administration Building
- Pool Equipment/ Maintenance Building
- Shower Locker Room Building

Washington Community Swim Center with a Solar PV system on the Administration Building

New Website for Block 15 Affordable Housing Project – "Block 15" is the common name of a City property of slightly over an acre, located between Charles St., Iowa and Mathilda Avenues. This City property is situated on the southern half of the block labeled Block 15 in the Downtown Specific Plan. Council decided to pursue development of an affordable housing project on this site in 2016. In early 2017, the City signed an Exclusive Negotiating Agreement (ENA) with Related California (Related) –

selected through an competitive process - to negotiate terms for development of the proposed housing project. Related has launched a new website, SunnyvaleBlock15.com, SO interested stakeholders can learn more about the affordable housing proposal, preview designs and plans when they are available, and provide feedback development team. The website includes a link to join the project's outreach list to receive email



updates on the project as it progresses. Interested parties may also contact Andrew Schorfhaar, Related CA Project Manager, at ASchorfhaar@Related.com or 415-653-3172 to receive project updates and meeting announcements. For more information about the City's role in the project, contact Shila Behzadiaria, Housing Planner, at sbehzadiaria@sunnyvale.ca.gov or 408-730-7250.

NOVA's Workforce Review – On a monthly basis, NOVA produces a <u>Workforce Review</u> report that aggregates data from the <u>State jobs report</u> for the NOVA consortium. The November edition includes an article about the growing trend in subcontracting or fee-for-service work, particularly in the technology industry, which will have an impact on the labor force. While subcontracting workers have flexibility to shape their own schedule, this type of work can be unpredictable and stressful and lacks the benefits and protections that regular employees enjoy. The unemployment rate for the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Metropolitan Statistical Area was 3.0 percent in October, down from a revised 3.3 percent in September, with 9,600 jobs added for a total of 1,104,900 jobs. The state unemployment rate was 4.3 percent in October, down from 4.7 percent in September; Sunnyvale's unemployment rate was 2.7 percent in October, down from 2.9 percent in September.

ProMatch Thanksgiving Lunch — Every year, as the Thanksgiving holiday approaches, NOVA hosts a



special Thanksgiving potluck lunch for its ProMatch Program customers. This year the event was held on November 16 at Washington Park in Sunnyvale. Even with the challenges job seekers face, especially during the holiday season, 120 ProMatchers came out for the event, brought tremendous food to share from all over the world, and celebrated camaraderie and a positive outlook about what the future holds. During the event two customers shared their success stories about their recent job offers.

Sunnyvale Librarian Receives National Recognition as an "Emerging Leader" Children's Librarian Raina Tuakoi has been selected as a 2018 American Library Association Emerging Leader. This honor will enable Raina to participate in a national leadership development program sponsored by the American Libraries Association (ALA). One of only 50 librarians selected from across the country, Raina will be given the opportunity to gain valuable project management and presentation skills by working with her fellow emerging leaders on a professional project. As an Emerging Leader, Raina will be granted funding to attend the ALA Midwinter Conference and ALA Annual Conference, at which she and her work group will present the results of their project.



UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Wage Theft Study Issue Outreach Meeting – The City's Economic Development staff will be hosting an outreach meeting with to gather input and hear concerns regarding the Wage Theft Study Issue. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 7, from 9 to 10 a.m. at City Hall in the West Conference Room. For more information, contact Connie Verceles, Economic Development Manager, at 408-730-7256 or cverceles@sunnyvale.ca.gov.

El Camino Real Plan Advisory Committee (ECRPAC) Meeting – Tuesday, Dec. 5, 6:30 to 9 p.m. Senior Center (Laurel Room), 500 E. Remington Drive. The ECR Corridor Specific Plan Advisory Committee (ECRPAC) will hold its sixth meeting to begin discussion on development standards and design guidelines for the ECR corridor. Based on the City Council-selected land use alternative and the draft vision



statement for the Specific Plan, the project team will provide a presentation on topics including node/district identity, distribution of density and uses along the corridor, and design strategies to ensure minimal impact on adjacent properties. Feedback from the ECRPAC will allow the

project team to further refine these concepts for review by the ECRPAC at a future meeting. The meeting agenda is available on the project website at PlanSunnyvaleECR.m-group.us. For more information, contact Rosemarie Zulueta, Senior Planner, at rzulueta@sunnyvale.ca.gov or 408-730-7437.

Holiday Pottery Sale – Dec. 15 and 16 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Sunnyvale Community Center, Creative Arts Center, 550 E. Remington Drive. Just in time for the gift giving season, the Friends of the Sunnyvale Pottery Studio (FSPS) will be hosting a pottery sale featuring unique, one-of-a-kind ceramic items made in the Sunnyvale Pottery Studio by more than 30 local artists. FSPS was formed in June 2011 to advocate the benefits of community pottery programs and to create revenue-generating programs to off-set operational costs of the studio. A portion of the proceeds of this sale will benefit the City of Sunnyvale Pottery Studio. Visit the FSPS on Facebook for more information.



LEGO Materials Mini Camp – Looking for something for your child to participate in during the holiday break? Sign them up for the Intro to STEM with LEGO materials Mini Camp. This camp will run from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Dec. 18 to 22. Campers will build, engineer and design projects such as boats, snowmobiles, catapults, merry-go-rounds and much more. For more information contact the Community Center at 408-730-7350 or <u>register online</u>.

Free Coding for Kids Workshop – Sunnyvale youth, ages 7 to 10, are invited to learn beginner coding skills and design a game at this workshop led by high school student-volunteers from MathAndCoding.org. The camp is free and will take place at Columbia Middle School, 739 Morse Ave., Dec. 18 to 20, 9 a.m. to noon. Pre-approved fee waiver families have priority registration starting Nov. 28. All other families can register starting Dec. 13, 8:30 a.m. Register inperson only at Columbia Neighborhood Center (CNC), 785 Morse Ave. Call CNC at 408-730-7800 or visit Sunnyvale.ca.gov to learn how to apply for the fee waiver.

